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TVGS ANCESTOR CHART # 80

Submitted by

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FATHER William Robert Dial
b 8 January 1880
p Payneville (Sumter) Ala.
m 2 March 1904
p Kemper Co., Mississippi
d 2 August 1947
p Payneville, Alabama

FATHER William Hodges Dial
b 9 September 1905
p Sumter Co., Alabama
m 27 November 1935
p Meridian, Mississippi

GM Mamie Florence Henderson
b 2 March 1884
p Preston (Kemper) Miss.
d 12 September 1960
p Payneville (Sumter) Ala.

CHILD Florence Chaworth Dial
born
place Meridian, Mississippi
married 30 June 1961
place Livingston, Alabama
died
place

GM Winfield Featherston Buchanan, Jr.
b 7 October 1868
p Chickasaw Co., Mississippi
m 9 June 1900
p Meridian, Mississippi
d 26 March 1934
p Meridian, Mississippi

MOTHER Clara Belle Buchanan
b July 20, 1906
p Meridian, Mississippi

GM Lillie Phenie Hardy
b 13 June 1880
p Jasper Co, Mississippi
d 19 April 1954
p Meridian, Mississippi

CHILD'S SPOUSE
Martin William McKinnon II

GGF Jacob Jeremiah Dial
b 13 November 1854
p Sumter Co., Alabama
m 7 December 1876
d 25 September 1928
p Sumter Co., Alabama

GGM Mary Etta Prestwood
b 21 November 1854
p Sumter Co., Alabama
d 1 November 1929
p Sumter Co., Alabama

GGF Robert Wilson Henderson
b 13 December 1844
p Preston (Kemper) Miss.
m after Civil War 1868/9
d 27 November 1920
p Kemper Co., Miss.

GGM Queen Victoria Callicoa
b 13 August 1847
p Union Co., Ark.
d 29 October 1918
p Kemper Co., Miss.

Winfield
GGF Featherston Buchanan, Sr.
b 19 December 1847
p Chickasaw Co., Miss.
m 28 May 1866
d 4 October 1901
p Meridian, Miss.

GM Mary Ellen Turman
b 16 October 1848
p Chickasaw Co., Miss.
d 22 January 1883
p Chickasaw Co., Miss.

GGF Hugh Wilson Hardy
b 2 November 1856
p Lowdnes Co., Alabama
m 31 December 1876
d 29 March 1923
p Meridian, Miss.

GGM Clarissa Adeline Tatum
b 7 April 1856
p Jasper Co., Miss.
d 11 June 1942
p Meridian, Mississippi

GGGF James P. (or R?) Dial
b 8 August 1820 Ala.
m 13 Dec. 1842 Sumter Co., Ala.
d 5 Mar 1870 Sumter Co., Ala.

GGM Catherine Getson-Danner
b 15 Jan 1826
d 16 June 1905 Sumter Co., Ala.

GGGF John Prestwood
b 1827 Ala.
m 18 Dec 1848 Sumter Co., Ala.
d 1862 Alabama

GGM Mary M. Dabney
b ca 1830 Alabama
d after 1870

GGGF Lindsay Henderson
b 26 June 1810 NC
m 25 Aug 1840 Marengo Co., Ala.
d 17 Sept 1885 Kemper Co., Ms.

GGM Mary Ann Breckinridge
b 19 Jan 1811 Tenn.
d 15 Nov 1852 Kemper Co., Ms.

GGGF Mathew W. Callicoa
b 4 Sept 1806
m 11 July 1840 Louisiana
d 9 Nov 1850

GGM Rebecca Handley
b 3 April 1815 Ala. or Ga.
d 19 Jan 1890 Kemper Co., Ms.

GGGF Geo. Washington Buchanan
b 6 June 1825 Chatham Co., NC
m 9 Sept 1846 Miss?
d 24 July 1870 Chickasaw Co. Ms

GGM Rachel Baxter Middlebrooks
b 31 Aug 1830 Greensboro, Ala.
d 10 Sept 1908 Meridian, Miss.

GGGF Early Turman
b 17 Sept 1809 Franklin Co., Ga.
m ca 1843 where?
d aft 1870 Chickasaw Co., Miss.

GGM Rachel C.
b ca 1826 SC
d ca 1858 Chickasaw Co, Miss.

GGGF Robert Rutherford Hardy
b 8. C.
m 18 Dec 1838 Dallas Co., Ala.
d Miss. or Texas??

GGM Adeline Cythia McCants
b SC
d Miss. or Texas??

GGGF William Asbury Tatum
b ca 1827 Green Co., Miss.
m 12 Dec 1851 Jasper Co., Miss.
d 17 July 1863 Jasper Co., Miss.

GGM Nancy White
b 9 Dec 1826 Spart. Dist. SC
d 1 Aug 1913 Lauderdale Co., Miss

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TVGS ANCESTOR CHART # 9

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Willie Kelt Bilbo
Box 626
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GF George Winston Bilbo

b 11 Aug 1830
p Jackson Co. MS

m Jasper Co. MS

d 12 Mar 1908

p Terrell, TX

FATHER Benjamin Wafford Bilbo

b 8 Jan 1859
p Rosehill, Jasper Co. MS
m 24 Dec 1888
p Lampasas, TX
d 15 Feb 1944
p Sanco, Coke Co. TX

GM Alletha A. White

b 21 Feb 1840

p Jasper Co. MS

d 17 Jun 1898

p Adamsville, TX

CHILD Otha Jones Bilbo

born 20 Mar 1908
place Sanco, Coke Co. TX
married 16 May 1934
place Carrizozo, NM
died
place

GF James Henry Walk

b 18 Jul 1839

p NC

m 9 Feb 1867

p 28 Mar 1921

p Altus, OK

MOTHER Sarah Catherine Walk

b 23 Jan 1868
p Round Rock, TX
d 21 Jul 1918
p San Angelo, TX

GM Mary Ann Black

b 28 Mar 1842

p AR

d 24 Nov 1929

p Altus, OK

CHILD'S SPOUSE

Willie Henrietta Kelt

GGF William Ray Bilbo

b Mecklenburg Co. VA
m Jackson Co. MS
d 1846
p Jackson Co. MS

GGM Charlotte Ryan

b 1863
p Jasper Co. MS

GGF Benjamin Wofford White

b 29 Aug 1810
p Spartanburg Co. VA
m 13 May 1900
p Jasper Co. MS

GGM Eliza Chatham

b 10 Mar 1818
p Greene Co. MS
d 8 Oct 1888
p Jasper Co. MS

GGGF John Bilbo

b VA

GGGM Mary Clemond

b

GGGF Isaac Ryan

b VA

GGGF Moses White

b 28 Sep 1785 VA

m ca 1807

d 15 Sep 1844

GGGM Martha Wofford

b VA

d MS

GGGF Spencer Chatham

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GGGM Elizabeth Roberts

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**CHAPTER XVI
TATUM FAMILY
OF MISSISSIPPI**

Report by Charles Hughes Hamlin, Professional Genealogist

RECORDS OF CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶ (1795-1870)

OF MUCH INTEREST AND VALUE: Notarized copy of a letter written in 1930 from MRS. GEORGE I. DAVIS⁶ [nee EUGENIA CORNELIA TATUM⁴], daughter of THADDEUS PRESTON TATUM⁵, that her grandfather, CAPT. JOHN TATUM⁵, had two brothers named THOMAS⁶ and CHRISTOPHER TATUM, [III]⁶. That THOMAS⁶ removed from South Carolina to Florida with his brother, John⁶, and that CHRISTOPHER TATUM [III]⁶ went "west" and was never heard of again. By Client's diligent research he has now been found, as witness below.

Application for Pension, War of 1812 (National Archives BLWT 60404-120-1855 and 92402-40-1850) of CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶ of Jasper County, Mississippi, in 1853 and also in 1855, age 59(60) [b. ca. 1794 or 1795] in Orangeburgh District, South Carolina . . . describes tours of duty, officers, etc.

To support the above, client also has secured a Muster Role of South Carolina Troops in the War of 1812 on which appears the name of CHRISTOPHER TATUM⁶, Private, age 22 (thus born ca. 1791). He very probably "fibbed" about his age to avoid having to gain parental consent. On 15 June 1855 CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶, age 60, applied for Bounty Land for his services in the War of 1812 at which time of application he was resident of Jasper County, Mississippi, and stated he was drafted as private in Orangeburgh District, South Carolina Militia in May of 1813 . . . etc.

1830 Census, Greene County, Mississippi, p. 171

CHRISTOPHER TATUM	2 (under 5)	1 (under 5)
	2 (5 to 10)	1 (10 to 15)
	1 (20 to 30)	1 (20 to 30)

COMMENT: Here again someone has "fibbed" or the census-taker has made an error as both CHRISTOPHER and CATHARINE should have been in the next higher age bracket being actually ages 35 and 33.

1840 Census, Jasper County, Mississippi, p. 179

NAME	MALES	FEMALES	SLAVES
C. TATUM	2 (under 5)	1 (under 5)	6 males
	1 (10 to 15)	1 (5 to 10)	1 female
	2 (15 to 20)	1 (20 to 30)	
		1 (40 to 50)	

COMMENT: The "C" in the TATUM above listed could be for CHRISTOPHER or CATHARINE . . . CHRISTOPHER was born in 1795 and CATHARINE in 1797 and both should properly be numbered in the 40 to 50 bracket. Jasper County, Mississippi, was formed in 1833 from Indian Lands.

1850 Census, Jasper County, Mississippi, 8 August 1850

Family 12/13 [brackets mine—CHH]

HEAD OF FAMILY	AGE	BORN
CHRISTOPHER TATUM, [III]	55 [b. 1795]	South Carolina
KATHERINE	53 [b. 1797]	South Carolina
THOMAS M.	29 [b. 1821]	Mississippi
BERTHIA	25 [b. 1825]	Mississippi
WILLIAM	23 [b. 1827]	Mississippi
ANNE	8 [b. 1842]	Mississippi
CHARLES W.	6 [b. 1844]	Mississippi

EVALUATION: Very interesting! The birth of the three older children indicates that CHRISTOPHER III was in this "western" country by 1821. We had tentatively identified him as one of the sons of CHRISTOPHER "THE YOUNGER" in the 1820 Census of Orangeburg District, S.C., in the age bracket 16 to 26. This agrees with the information furnished by the granddaughter of CAPT. JOHN TATUM⁵ (b. 1798). Mississippi had just reached "State" status in 1817. The fifteen year difference in the ages of the last two listed children from the first three may indicate that KATHERINE was a second wife but we also realize that there could have been others born in this interim who had died or who had married and left home.

1860 Census, Jasper County, Mississippi (23 August), p. 76

Family 504/508

HEAD OF FAMILY	AGE	BORN
CHRISTOPHER TATUM	65 [b. 1795]	South Carolina
CATHARINE	63 [b. 1797]	South Carolina
CHARLES	24 [b. 1836]	Mississippi
M. A. [This is MARTHA Wife of Charles]	22 [b. 1838]	Mississippi
JAMES [son of CHARLES and Martha]	1	

1870 Census, Jasper County, Mississippi (15 June), p. 50

Family 352/350

HEAD OF FAMILY	AGE	BORN
CHRISTOPHER TATUM	75 [b. 1795]	South Carolina
CATHARINE	73 [b. 1797]	South Carolina
CHARLES W.	33 [b. 1837]	Mississippi
MARTHA A.	32 [b. 1838]	Mississippi
JAMES	11 [b. 1859]	Mississippi
LILLIAN	8 [b. 1862]	Mississippi
WILLIAM C.	5 [b. 1865]	Mississippi
ELIZA TAYLOR (white)	14 [b. Georgia]	— Housekeeper

1880 Census, Jasper County, Mississippi (18 June), p. 19

Family #164—164:

HEAD OF FAMILY	RELATION	AGE	BORN	FATHER BORN	MOTHER BORN
CHARLES W. TATUM		43 [b. 1837]	Miss.	Miss.	Miss.
MARTHA A.	Wife	42 [b. 1838]	Miss.	S.C.	S.C.
LILLIAN C.	Daughter	18 [b. 1862]			
WILLIAM C.	Son	15 [b. 1865]			

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CATHARINE G. Mother 83 [b. 1797] S.C. S.C. S.C.
C. COLUMBUS Nephew 26 [b. 1854] Miss.
[My guess is that his first name is CHRISTOPHER.]

NOTE: The family of J. P. TATUM, age 69, born in Georgia and parents born in Georgia is also listed in the 1880 Census of Jasper County, Mississippi, as Family #3/3. In his family is his wife, five sons and two daughters . . . the two eldest born sons were born in Alabama.

COMMENT: MRS. IRENE SAMPLE, 416 N. Madison Street, El Dorado, Arkansas writes: "This could be JESSE P. TATUM, son of HOWELL TATUM, JR. and REBECCA PEARCE. JESSE b. 26 May 1813 Georgia. We know he married three times. You have his father's chart. If the 1880 Census shows MARTHA (C. HARDY) as wife, it's our JESSE. He died in Mississippi after 1890 or about. The names of his children, BAMA, VIRGINIA, MARTHA C., SALLIE, J. A., W. H., JOHN M., and H. H. and one more. He came back to Arkansas to visit after he was an old man. He was administrator of his father's estate in Alabama 1836, Lowndes County. My TATUMS came to Alabama ca. 1817-18, then to Arkansas by 1840. JOEL was County Judge 1840."

Jasper County, Mississippi, Will Book 1, pp. 58-59

Will of CHRISTOPHER TATUM, [III], dated 21 October 1870

To wife [from other sources we know she was CATHERINE GRESSETT] all personal property now being on premises of my son CHARLES . . . four horses, cattle, etc. . . . To son CHARLES W. TATUM . . . upon death of wife, residue of all my "personality" [personal property] bequeathed to wife . . . appoint my son CHARLES W. TATUM of said county as Executor. . . . Witnesses: CHARLES A. HUDDLESTON, JOHN M. MC CORMICK, G. F. PEEK. CHRISTOPHER TATUM, Seal. Proved February term 1871, sworn and filed 14 January 1871. W. D. BRAGG, Clerk . . . A. R. CHAPMAN, Dept.

Grand Lodge of Mississippi, Free and Accepted Masons, Meridian, Miss.
13 July 1973, letter to DAVID A. AVANT, JR.

CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III was initiated and passed in 1846 in Sterling Lodge #54, Paulding, Mississippi, raised in same Lodge 1855 . . . demitted from this Lodge in 1855 . . . admitted to Harrison Lodge #57, Garlandville, Jasper County, Mississippi in 1855 . . . raised in this Lodge 1855 . . . member until 1866 . . . suspended for non-payment dues 1866 . . . no report of reinstatement. CECIL A. THORN, Grand Secretary.

Tombstone Record

Certified Copy of Photograph and Inscription of Tombstone of "TATUM," Hopewell Methodist Church, Rose Hill, Jasper County, Mississippi, made by BILL R. LINDER, October, 1964.

CHRISTOPHER TATUM
BORN FEB. 5, 1795
DIED DEC. 14, 1870

CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶ [War of 1812 Soldier]

"FAMILY GROUP CHART"

Husband - CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶, b. 5 Feb. 1795, Orangeburgh District, S. C., d. 14 Dec. 1870, Jasper County, Miss.
Father - CHRISTOPHER TATUM, "THE YOUNGER"

Wife - CATHARINE GRESSETT, b. 1797, Orangeburg District, S.C., still living, 1880 Census Jasper County, Mississippi.

Children - (1) THOMAS M.⁵, b. 21 Sept. 1821, Miss.; d. 30 Sept. 1857, m. BERTHIA .
(2) WILLIAM ASBURY⁵, b. 1827, Miss., d. before 1880, m. NANCY WHITE.
(3) ELIZABETH ANNE⁵, b. 16 Mar. 1840, Miss., m. 22 Dec. 1857, JAMES P. ABNEY.
(4) CATHARINE GARVIN⁵ [GAVIN], b. 21 May 1831, Miss., m. 10 Jan. 1850 LEWIS LINDER.
(5) CHARLES WESLEY⁵, b. 1837, Miss., d. 1908, m. MARTHA A. MC CORMICK

[Probably other children]

SOURCES: Census, Tombstone, Pension Application Records, and Correspondence with Descendants.

CHARLES WESLEY TATUM⁵ [C.S.A.]

Husband - CHARLES WESLEY TATUM⁵, b. 1837, Miss., d. 1908.
Father - CHRISTOPHER TATUM, III⁶
Mother - CATHARINE GRESSETT

Wife - MARTHA ANN MC CORMICK, b. 28 Mar. 1838, d. 16 Apr. 1888
Father - J. J. MC CORMICK

Children - (1) JAMES⁴, b. 1849
(2) LILLIAN C.⁴, b. 10 May 1862, d. 17 Jan. 1905, m. W. H. MOUNGER
(3) WILLIAM C.⁴, b. 1865

SOURCES: Census and Tombstone Records.

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Mrs. Tatum was preceded in death by her husband, John L. Tatum Sr.; and two brothers, Robert Fairley Sr. and William Chester Fairley.

She leaves to cherish her memories to four children, Loretta Stough of Philadelphia, Pa., John L. Tatum Jr. of Lucedale, Willie (Margaret) Tatum, of East Orange, N.J., and Geraldine (Milus) Swilley of Moss Point, Miss.; one sister, Gertrude Bilbo of Lucedale; one brother, Jesse Willard (Irene) Fairley; six grandchildren, Stephanie and Sandra Tatum of East Orange, Cindy (Kevin) Watts of Canton, Dawn (Jerome) lacking of Jackson, Miss., Michael D. Swilley of Baton Rouge, La., and Rodney D. Swilley of Moss Point; eight great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Viewing will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday, August 25, 2003 at Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church in Lucedale, (Basin Community)

Funeral Services will begin promptly at 2 p.m. from the church with the Rev. Elijah Henry Sr. officiating


Interment will be in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Lucedale.

All arrangements entrusted to Millender's Funeral Home, Moss Point, Miss.

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TATUM

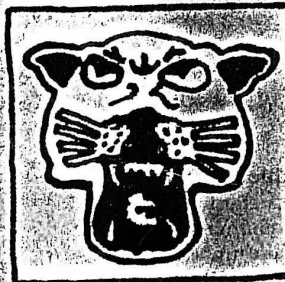
Mrs. Lillie Mae Tatum, 81, of Lucedale, Miss., was born February 21, 1922, in Lucedale, (Basin Community) to the late Preston Fairley and Daisy Shaw-Fairley. Mrs. Tatum passed on to eternal life Thursday, August 21, 2003, at Singing River Hospital. She was a life-long resident of Lucedale, Miss., and a member of Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church.



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PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, MAY 29, 1945

NO. 14



Neil Bacot



William Firth



William T. Avara



Thomas G. Hegwood



Lewis Webb



Richard Tatum



Howard Smith



Oliver Krebs



Lester Taylor

The nine boys, who, at Uncle Sam's call, left the senior class this year are these:

Pete Avara, paratrooper, left February 1, and after a week at Camp Shelby, went to Camp Fannin, Texas. He will finish his basic training soon.

Neil Bacot, navy, left February 1, for Great Lakes Training Center. Neil finished his boot training in April and is now training in radio work.

Willie Firth, navy, left March 18, went to Great Lakes Naval Training Center, and finished boot training May 18.

Tommy Hegwood, army, left February 1, and after a week at Camp Shelby, went to Camp Wheeler, Georgia. Tommy completed his boot training on May 26.

Oliver Krebs, navy, left April 6, for Jackson, Mississippi. From Jackson he went to Great Lakes Naval Training Center. He will finish his basic training May 29.

Howard Smith, navy, left March 14. Howard was stationed at Millington, Tennessee. Still there after his first furlough the first week of May, he is on his way in twenty weeks of radio study.

Richard Tatum, navy, left February 28, for Great Lakes Naval Training Center. He completed his boot training in April and is now in the Signal Corps.

Lester Taylor, merchant marine, left March 26, and was stationed at St. Petersburg, Florida. He finished his boot training April 27. He is now taking a 13-week specialized course.

Lewis Webb, navy, left December 16, and completed his basic training in February at Great Lakes Naval Training Center. He is now at Norman, Oklahoma, studying gunnery.

Patriotic Program Offers Colorful Pageantry

The May Festival, one of the largest and most colorful exhibitions of school work the Pascagoula Schools have ever put on, took place Friday night, May 11, at eight o'clock.

Clad in white and wearing patriotic paper caps, the elementary school pupils from the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades of all schools marched to the grand stands while the high school band played the processional, "On the Grand Concourse," and "The Booster." The high school girls' chorus and representatives of the speech department followed. Mr. C. R. Wells acted as director of the program.

Each school presented its vocal numbers to an appreciative audience, but the most impressive numbers on the program were those in which all the students from all schools sang in unison. The young voices ringing out patriotic songs on the night air made an indelible memory. The dramatic reading, concerned with

a Russian scene, and the declamation on the subject "Dunkirk"—readings concerned with two of the great allies of the United States in the present war—fitted admirably into the patriotic theme of the festival.

The physical education department of the high school was represented by a parade of boys and girls carrying tennis rackets, bows and arrows, or other equipment used in the various activities that are a part of the department's work.

Rain threatened to mar the evening, but fortunately waited to pour down until after all the young participants were at home and in bed.

Glee Club Sponsors Musical Tea Given On May 3

A musical tea with Miss Gene Eason of the department of music of P.H.S. as hostess afforded a delightful afternoon to friends and relatives of Miss Eason's class on Thursday, May 3, in the school auditorium.

In the receiving line with Miss Eason were Mesdames Farnsworth and J. V. Ainsworth and Misses Katie Thompson and Kathryn Maxwell.

Students who took part in the musical program were D'Vonne Cudabac, Jeanne Whatley, Bonnie Sue Byrd, Mary Theresa Guillotte, Bonnie Chapman, Sarah Shemper, Merley Jones, Jr., Georgia Lee Souther, Billie Jean Williams, Gloria McKenzie, Rita Joyce Krebs, Norma Iverson, Emily Green, and the Girls' Chorus. Ushers were Zula Mae Crane, Frances Cudabac, Mary Alice Ditsworth, Bonadel Lander, and Jessie Ellen Krebs.

At the conclusion of the musical program, the hostess, accompanied by her guests went into the cafeteria where punch and cake were served by Katherine Wright, Mary Evelyn Eubanks, Cassie Lee Hagan, and Katie Belle Styron.

The table from which the punch was served was beautifully arranged with an enormous piece of ice serving as a punch bowl which was centered in ferns, gardenias, and Easter lilies.

GRADUATING CLASS OF 1945 IS LARGEST IN HISTORY OF SCHOOL

The seniors of the 1945 class at P.H.S. were graduated May 28 as the largest class ever to leave the school. The fifty-eight graduates conducted the exercises which were different from any other ever held in Pascagoula High in that the emphasis usually placed on class night was shifted to graduation. The students made the graduation speeches that formerly were given by outsiders.

The class made its processional march while the school orchestra played "The Triumphal March" from "Aida" by Verdi. After the class had taken their seats the Reverend J. L. Brantley of the Watts Memorial Baptist Church delivered the invocation.

V-E Day Observed By Students Of P. H. S.

V-E Day was observed at Pascagoula High School by a religious service which was attended by both the senior and the junior high school students.

Sixty pupils of the Central Elementary School under the direction of Miss Kathryn Maxwell sang "My United States" and "I Hear America Singing."

Dr. J. C. Crane delivered the address. He read Psalm 136, the passage in the Bible which was read at the funeral of the late President Roosevelt, and Psalm 136. He then spoke of the fact that this day was one of the happiest in the history of the nation but said that it was not a day to be celebrated by rowdy hilarity. Rather it was a day in which to give thanks for the many things which have blessed us and in which to pray for the leaders of all nations that they may be able to carry on the war in the Pacific to a quick conclusion and that they may be able to secure the peace of the world for all time. Dr. Crane concluded his remarks with the quoting of Rudyard Kipling's "Recessional."

The audience, composed of about twelve hundred students and teachers, then sang "God Bless America" and were dismissed by Olen Heflin, president of the senior class, who presided over the meeting and introduced the speaker.

Students Of Senior And Junior Class Hold Forum

Nine students, selected from the junior and senior classes, held a forum on May 2 at the regular luncheon of the Pascagoula Rotary Club. The students discussed the problems of the youth of Pascagoula after the war is over.

The forum was interesting and entertaining to the Rotary members because the opinions expressed were clear and frank. The discussion reached its peak when the students came to the question, "Is juvenile delinquency the result of the parents' being too strict or of their being too lenient?" Henry Torjusen brought in a good thought when he said, "If your parents say you may not do something, you will do that thing or break your neck trying. But if a parent says you may do this thing but that he

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Ruth May, valedictorian of the class and mistress of ceremonies spoke on "The Light of the World." Henry Torjusen, salutatorian, made a talk on the subject, "The Guiding Light," in which he stressed the educational development of each individual and compared a Nazi youth with an American one.

The senior high chorus sang "America the Beautiful," then Oliver Laddner talked on the topic, "What Hath God Wrought?" Olen Heflin, president of the class, delivered a speech entitled "Speak the Speech I Pray You."

After Olen's talk, Harold Oliver discussed the American Constitution. His speech was, "A Man Is A Man for A' That."

The chorus sang "Onward Ye Peoples" (Finlandia) by Sibelius.

Under the next heading, "Peace on Earth," Genevieve Moore spoke on "A Rendezvous With Destiny." Genevieve quoted these noble words:

"Here dead be we because we did not choose
To live and shame the land from which we sprung
Life, to be sure, is nothing much to lose;
But young men think it is, and we were young."

The chorus then sang "The Recessional" as arranged by DeKoven.

Mr. Gill, principal, presented the class to Mr. Wells, superintendent. Mr. Wells in turn presented the diplomas to the class.

Barbara Renfroe delivered the acceptance speech, "The Graduate's Creed."

Mr. Wells presented the different awards for scholarship. The Reverend Mr. Brantley said the benediction.

The exercises closed with the audience and graduates singing to the accompaniment of the orchestra, "The Star-Spangled Banner."

Seniors Of '45 Give Plaque To School

A bronze plaque bearing the names of all P.H.S. boys and girls who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country will be the gift of the seniors of '45 to the school.

The class met in the little theatre to discuss the matter. Since bronze is unavailable at this time, the class was unable to buy the gift now but will leave the funds for a post-war purchase of the plaque.

Four boys whose names will appear in gold on the plaque are: Joseph Shephard, Douglas Hague, Stova Firth, and Alton Watts. If God will, others will be added to this list; the class prays that only the four will be there.

Religious Emphasis Week Observed At P. S. S.

The Annual Religious Emphasis Week was observed during the week of April 30-May 4 under the sponsorship of the Pascagoula Association of Pastors. The entire student body were participants in these programs.

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TATUM, Georgia G. Feb 5, 1982

GEORGIA G. TATUM, services 11
a.m. Saturday, New Hope Baptist
Church, Bayou La Batre, Azalea
Funeral Home, Mobile.

Also See:

1. Marty's Family